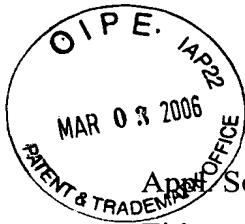


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**AMENDMENT D**

Sir:

This paper addresses the Non-Final Office Action mailed on November 25, 2005, for which the shortened statutory 3-month response date of February 27, 2006 (February 25, 2006 being a Saturday). While no fees are believed to be due in connection with this paper, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees (including any Rule 136(a) extension fees) or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0600. Please reconsider the above-identified application in light of the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.